



In Summary

Recycled oil can be used for fuel and recycled oil filters are used to make steel products. Water runoff can transport spilled oil into a storm drain, which degrades local waters. Unlike sanitary sewers, storm drains are not connected to a treatment plant. This water ultimately flows into our creeks and tributaries.

In addition, if you are caught allowing anything but rain into the storm drain, you could be subject to severe penalties and/or fines, plus the cost of cleanup.

We need to stop stormwater pollution at the source.



Remember:

Only Rain In the Storm Drain

Contact Information

To report a spill during regular business hours call the City of Newark's Emergency Management Coordinator at 302-366-7075

After hours contact the DNREC Emergency Response Hotline at 1-800-662-8802

For waste disposal and recycling questions call the Delaware Solid Waste Authority Citizens Response Line at 1-800-404-7080

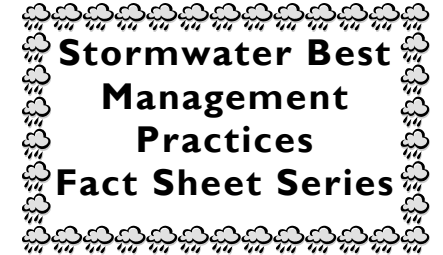
For general stormwater program information contact the Stormwater Program Coordinator at 302-366-7040 or visit our website at:

http://newark.de.us/docs/departments/stormwater_program.html

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Stormwater Best Management Practices Fact Sheet Series

Oil and Oil Filter Recycling



This brochure has been prepared to educate residents who change their own oil and oil filters about safe changing and disposal practices, in order to protect water quality in storm drains, and ultimately, the creeks and tributaries in Newark.

Why should I care about Stormwater?


This brochure is intended to educate residents who change their own oil and oil filters about safe changing and disposal practices, which minimize the potential for water quality degradation.


Water that flows into the storm sewer system does not get treated at the waste water treatment plant. It flows through a series of pipes and discharges either directly or indirectly into our creeks and tributaries. To minimize the potential for water quality problems, we need to work together to clean up our stormwater at the source.





Before you allow anything to flow into a storm drain, stop and think about how the water ultimately flows untreated into the creeks and tributaries in Newark.


Oil Changing Tips

 Use a wide flat pan or basin under the vehicle to catch all of the oil and prevent splatters from reaching the ground.

 Clean up small accidental spills with dry absorbent material or shop cloths. Do not attempt wet methods such as hosing down the floor.

 Use a funnel to drain the used oil from the collection pan into a sturdy container with a lid. Do not attempt to pour it in directly.

 Drain as much leftover oil as possible from the used filter, by draining it in a funnel on top of a collection container for at least a day.

 Carry used oil filters carefully to the collection site, as they may still have leftover oil remaining in them.

Oil and Filter Recycling Locations

The following Delaware Solid Waste Authority RECYCLE DELAWARE locations currently accept oil and oil filters in Newark:

**Phillips Park/Newark
Maintenance Yard, Phillips
Avenue and B Street,
Newark, DE 19715**

This center is open to the general public and is located parallel to the railroad tracks just off of Ritter Lane.

**University of Delaware
Hollingsworth Parking Lot,
33 W. Cleveland Avenue,
Newark, DE 19716**

This center is open to the general public and is located behind the Deer Park Restaurant.

For more information on the Delaware Solid Waste Authority RECYCLE DELAWARE locations call:
1-800-404-7080

